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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

[x]	No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required.				
[]	The fee of \$240.00 (126) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed.				
[]	A certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is also enclosed.				
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	information disclosure statement, and the petition fee of \$130.00 (122) as set forth				
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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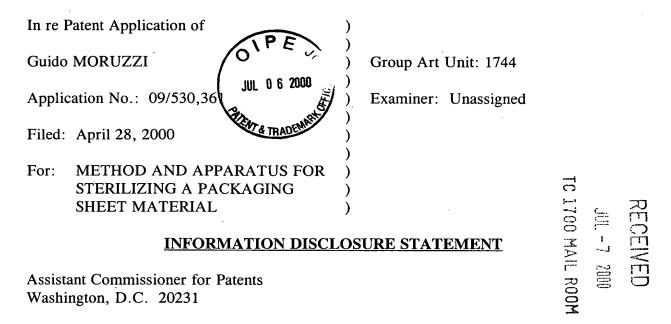
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant hereby submits the attached information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is attached.

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The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

The foreign references cited in the attached PTO-1449 form were cited in an International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application. An English-language version of the International Search Report is filed herewith.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial a copy of the PTO-1449 form and return it to the undersigned.

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